

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING

MARCH 15, 2011

CALL TO ORDER

The Emergency Management Coordinator, Jim Hall called to order the monthly meeting of the Silver Spring Township Emergency Management Council. The meeting was held at the Silver Spring Township Office.

ROLL CALL

Those attending were:

Mary Lou Pierce-McLain, Board of Supervisor Representative
Jim Hall, Silver Spring Township Emergency Management Coordinator
Doug McDonald, Fire Chief Silver Spring Fire Company
Curt Hall, Fire Chief New Kingstown Fire Company
Dick Hammon, Superintendent of Police, Silver Spring Township
Donald Baughman, Glen Hostetler, John Miller, Mike Ott, Citizen
Representatives

ABSENT:

Harold Trautman, Silver Spring Ambulance Association

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None

GUEST:

John Murphy, Alpha Consulting Engineering

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MONTHS MINUTES

On a motion by Doug McDonald and 2nd by Glen Hostetler and passed by the group the November 16th and February 15, 2011 was approved.

NO NEW SUBDIVISION OR LAND DEVELOPMENT PLANS SUBMITTED THIS MONTH

OLD BUSINESS:

Township Fire Box Review – Doug McDonald said that he will make several adjustments to the Co. 31 Fire Boxes.

Jim Hall reported that work has begun on the Woods Drive Bridge. It is expected that work will be finished by June.

Jim also reported that he presented the Emergency Plan to the Supervisors at their meeting on February 23, 2011. The Board asked that Jim submit the plan for their review before the promogate the plan. Jim will ask to meet with the Board members so they can review the EP.

Jim also reported that construction has begun on the Kiddie Academy which will be located at the intersection of Woods Drive and Rt. 114. It is anticipated that the new traffic light will be installed at Woods Drive and Rt. 114 before Kiddie Academy receives their Certificate of Occupancy. While discussing Woods Drive, a question came up concerning the preemption on the traffic lights at Texaco Road and Rt. 114, Rt. 114 and Carlisle Pike north bound lane. Jim said he would call the traffic light maintenance to see if they will check those intersections.

NEW BUSINESS:

John Murphy of Alpha Consulting Engineers presented two plans to Council one being the re-subdividing of the Stone Hill Estates. Council had no problem with the number of lots being proposed in this subdivision, but express concerns about not having a cul-de-sac at the end of the ROW. Council would like to see either a cul-de-sac or something similar for apparatus to turn around in the event of a fire. In addition, Mr. Murphy reviewed with Council 114 Associates (Phico) plan for the two new office buildings. After this review Council expressed concerns how they would access the roof of these buildings with the present sidewalk and landscaping layout, Mr. Murphy said he would take another look at these concerns. In addition Mr. Murphy also reviewed the new entrance to this facility.

Jim Hall told Council that the Township has received building permit applications for the first building of the Crossroads at Walden. As soon as they meet the requirement of the building codes permits will be issued.

GOOD OF COUNCIL

Donald Baughman – reported that the NK Fire Police has ordered 4 4X4 Stop Signs, Arrows Signs, and Detour Signs to be used during highway emergencies. He also reported that the Pa. Turnpike will start to rebuild the road between 220 to 215 east bound after Labor Day 2011. In addition, Don reported that the Plainfield and Blue Mountain Plazas will be demolished and new service plazas will be built.

Curt Hall – Asked when work will begin on Hempt Road? Jim Hall stated that work should start soon and will include a new bridge over the Hogestown Run.

Mike Ott – Mike reported that Co. 31 has made modifications to their traffic unit which will include a chevron on the rear panels. He also reported Co. 31 Fire Police line officers have changed. Over the years many traffic accident has occurred on I – 81 now Company 31 Fire Police is looking to preplan a detour route off I – 81 through the Township to get the 81 users back to I – 81. In addition, Mike requested that if the Township Police Dept. has any training exercise regarding possible incidents at CVHS and CP Vo-tech School they should include the Township Fire Police.

Doug McDonald – Doug had question what threads on the Fire Hydrants at CVHS, Curt Hall told Doug the yellow hydrants has the old New Cumberland threads and the red hydrants are National Standard Threads. Doug also questioned parking on Legend Drive at the High School. Jim Hall said he would have the Highway Department take a look at the width of this street and a determination would be made later if no parking signs are warranted on one side.

Mary Lou Pierce-McLain – Mary Lou asked if the school had their own special police to handle traffic issues at CVHS. Curt Hall said that the school has special police to handle school events. It was also reported that the Township Fire Police does not provide the school with their services unless they are dispatched by the 911 center to assist.

ADJOURNMENT

With no other business to be conducted and on a motion by Mike Ott and seconded by Curt Hall and approved by those attending, the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.